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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

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OFFICE OF WATER

The Honorable Tammy Baldwin
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Baldwin:

Thank you for your June 22, 2017, letter to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency regarding the Letter of Interest submitted by the City of Milwaukee for a loan under the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) program.

EPA staff are currently evaluating all letters of interest (LOIs) submitted by prospective borrowers. Evaluations are based on each LOI's alignment with statutory and regulatory requirements, as well as a preliminary creditworthiness and an initial feasibility review. The EPA anticipates selecting projects and sending invitations to apply to those projects later this summer. Additional information on the WIFIA application process is available at <https://www.epa.gov/wifia>.

Again, thank you for your letter. If you have further questions, please contact me or your staff may contact Matt Klasen in the EPA's Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations at Klasen.Matthew@epa.gov or (202) 566-0780.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Benita Best-Wong", is positioned above the printed name.

Benita Best-Wong
Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator